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## HEEL!

Warriors sink teeth  
into Police Week  
challenges

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*Photo by Staff Sgt. Monte Volk*

319th Air Refueling Wing ♦ Winners of the Air Force Outstanding Unit Award (July 2000 to June 2002)

### Inside: AAFES already in Iraq

#### Weekend weather

Today	69/43	rain
Saturday	69/47	mostly cloudy
Sunday	64/43	isol. T-storms
Monday	57/46	rain



Weather information courtesy  
319th Operations Support Squadron weather flight

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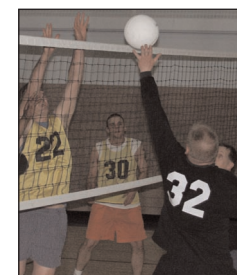
### Construction begins on commissary

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# AAFES in Iraq proves motto, 'We Go Where You Go'

**DALLAS** — "I just want to tell you thanks for being here - you guys are awesome."

Such comments have been typical of those heard by the Army and Air Force Exchange Service's "Team Iraq" during its first days of operation in that country at Logistic Support Areas.

In less than one day after arriving on April 6, the AAFES team was able to begin serving the troops.

Craig Sewell, who has responsibility for all Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom operations, and Kuwait Area Manager Dennis Hatcher, loaded merchandise into an old Toyota Landcruiser with a 50-caliber machine gun mount on top and headed out to find their first customers. Along the way, the "combat retailers" managed to stop at five locations in Iraq.

"We took along the most requested merchandise - cigarettes, snack items, chewing tobacco, baby wipes and Gatorade," Hatcher said.

Sewell recalled that some of the items were so popular commanders got on their radios to notify vehicles on patrol that they were available and the AAFES team would be heading their way.

The merchandise items had all been carried into Iraq by the AAFES team in backpacks and footlockers via a C-130 flying at 300 feet off the ground - low-level flying under combat conditions - from Kuwait to the LSA.

"Customers were in awe at the amount of merchandise we provided in such short notice," said Sewell.

"It was not pretty, but pretty was not as important as providing the service. This is real combat shopping in Iraq."

That same day, other members of the team went in search of a permanent "hard site" facility location. They found it in the form of what Hatcher referred to as a "bombed out, trashed out, deplorable looking base."

Nevertheless, at 4 p.m. April 9, three days after arriving in country, the AAFES team turned an old, 10,000-square-foot gymnasium into a post exchange ready-for-business.

As Hatcher and Sewell waited on the first customers to surround their Landcruiser, they overheard comments ranging from, "I can't believe AAFES got here so quickly," to, "I just want to tell you thanks for being here - you guys are awesome."

Upon seeing the AAFES volunteers, one soldier was moved to comment, "now there's a T-shirt I like to see," pointing at the AAFES T-shirts worn by AAFES volunteers at contingency sites.

"Mostly, though," said Hatcher, "they were just grateful to see us and thanked us for being there."

For more than 107 years, AAFES has provided quality merchandise and services at uniformly low



*Courtesy photo*

**Members of a deployed Army and Air Force Exchange field exchange take time out to pose for a group photograph.**

prices to active duty military, Guard and Reserve members, retirees and family members around the world. The AAFES motto, "We Go Where You Go" is truly indicative of the service and support AAFES provides to service members.

*(Courtesy of the Army and Air Force Exchange Service)*



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*For questions about current events or rumors, please leave a message.*

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**Col. Keye Sabol**  
319th Air Refueling Wing commander

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# A different kind of homecoming

By Senior Airman Joshua G. Moshier  
Public affairs

There is another redeployment happening on base today, but there likely won't be the fanfare for these airmen as there were for others.

Instead of balloons, signs, flags and tearful embraces, these airmen are more likely to receive pats on their heads and scratches on their bellies. Rather than a favorite dish for dinner after weeks and months of military rations, a heaping bowl of Science Diet awaits.

Military working dogs and their handlers assigned to the base redeployed today from classified locations around the globe in support of ongoing military operations.

Staff sergeants Darrell Chrisenberry and Daniel Casetta, and their assigned MWD Aladar and Avar, have been deployed since the end of November 2002. Staff Sgt. Gene Fonseca has also been deployed since November as an MWD trainer. Aladar has been assigned to the base since August 2002, and Avar has been assigned to the base since September 1999.

According to Staff Sgt. Christopher Fitzhugh, 319th Security Forces Squadron MWD

trainer, the dogs' primary responsibility while deployed was explosives detection. Secondary responsibilities included perimeter walks of the camp and regular law enforcement and security duties.

"Despite advances in technology, these dogs can never be replaced by machines," Sgt. Fitzhugh said. "Machines break. These living, breathing animals will

prove to be more reliable over the test of time.

"Since the terrorist events of Sept. 11, 2001, these dogs have become even more important to the Air Force mission. They are the first line of defense for keeping unwarranted explosive devices off the base, ensuring the primary missions of the base can go off smoothly and safely."

## A new collectible

By Japera Patterson  
Contributing writer

There are millions of trading card collectors, and there are just as many trading cards made to suit just about any interest a person could have.

There are Digimon cards, Pokemon cards, Dungeons and Dragons cards, and Barbie cards to name just a few.

On base, canine trading cards can be added to that list. Dog lovers here have the opportunity to carry their favorite "cop dog" with them wherever they go.

Distributing baseball cards of the 319th Security Forces Squadron's military working dogs is a fairly new idea.

In 2001, Staff Sgt. Gene Fonseca, 319th SFS kennel master, brought the idea to base officials when he noticed civilian police officers had baseball cards of their four-legged partners.

"We have the cards with us during all of our demonstrations and tours, and that is where we usually pass them out," said Staff Sgt. Christopher Fitzhugh, 319th SFS MWD trainer and handler for MWD, Cindy. "My children collect the cards, and they each have their favorites."

Although younger children are the more prominent audience, there is no age limit on who can have the trading cards.

For details, visit the MWD kennels, or call Sgt. Fitzhugh at 747-4225.

## News

# Commissary construction begins; big improvement expected

By Staff Sgt. Scott T. Sturkol  
319th Air Refueling Wing Public Affairs

Construction for a new \$12.5 million commissary began May 8 with the official groundbreaking ceremony for the new store.

With a planned completion date of fall 2004, the new building will feature more than 49,000 square feet of space and it will replace the current commissary that was originally built in 1960 – more than 43 years ago, said 2nd Lt. Venus Larson, 319th Civil Engineer Squadron.

“We’re excited, as a community, to have construction start on this facility,” said Col. Steve Wayne, 319th Air Refueling Wing vice commander. “In the weeks and months ahead, we will have a brand new quality facility that will rise to the standards of our other new facilities on base. This is a big quality of life issue for our people here.”

Col. Wayne added his thanks to the Defense Commissary Agency for funding the new facility. Mr.

Bryan Roukey, DECA’s Midwest Region deputy director, said it isn’t taxpayer money that funds the building of new commissaries, it’s the “commissary shopper” who pays for it.

“The building of this new commissary comes from millions of dollars of surcharge money invested out of the pockets of shoppers like you at this base,” Mr. Roukey said during the groundbreaking ceremony. “The store is yours – please spread that message. It’s going to be state-of-the-art – it’s going to have everything in it you’re going to require.”

The commissary supports a military population of more than 6,000 people and an estimated military retiree population of more than 2,500 retirees and their families locally.

The Defense Commissary Agency operates a worldwide chain of nearly 280 commissaries providing groceries to military personnel, retirees and their families in a safe and secure shopping environment, said Mr. Roy Hunnewell, base commissary officer. Authorized patrons purchase items at cost plus a 5-percent sur-



**Rendering of the new base commissary** charge, which covers the costs of building new commissaries and modernizing existing ones.

Shoppers save an average of more than 30 percent on their purchases compared to commercial prices – savings worth more than \$2,400 annually for a family of four.

A core military family support element, and a valued part of military pay and benefits, Mr. Hunnewell said commissaries contribute to family readiness, enhance the quality of life for America’s military and their families, and help recruit and retain the best and brightest men and women to serve their country.

Find out more about military commissaries by logging on to [www.commissaries.com](http://www.commissaries.com).

## News

# ‘Stop teaching your kids to kill’

By 1st Lt. Rob Lazaro  
Public affairs

The U.S. Surgeon General in 2001 reported that the decade between 1983 and 1993 was marked by an unprecedented surge of violence among young people in the United States.

This rise in violence was often lethal, distinguishing the childhood years traditionally known for enjoyment, health, and great promise with injuries, disability, and death instead.

Violence in schools has also risen and the offenders are getting younger and younger each year.

Lt. Col. (Ret.) Dave Grossman visited the base and the Grand Forks Alerus Center May 7 and 8 to share his research and experiences on how communities can curb the increasing trend of violence in society today.

He is one of the world’s foremost experts in the field of human aggression and also the founder of a new field of scientific endeavor termed “killology.” His travels have taken him across the nation to educate the public on causes of violence and violent crimes.

“A major cause in the rise of violent crime in the past 15 years is media violence,” said Col. Grossman, director of the Killology Research Group. “Violent television shows, movies and video games are main factors causing the increase in violent crimes.

“They are not the only factors, but they are major contributors.”

As a result, children today are more likely to be injured or killed by violence in school than by other preventable hazards such as fire, and this is just the surface of what he refers to as the growing “realm of violence.”

Col. Grossman also cites the case from Jonesboro, Ark., where two students from Westside Middle School shot and killed four other students and a teacher, while injuring 10 others.

Another example from Columbine, Colo., where two students killed 13 other students, a teacher, and injured more than 20 others demonstrate the results of the growing “culture of violence.”

School shootings were virtually unheard of before the last decade, said Col. Grossman. Now they are increasing in occurrence, along with workplace massacres.

Meanwhile, the violence in television, movies and video games, which has been directly linked to contribute to delinquent behavior, is not being regulated the way that cigarettes, alcohol, and other dangers to the nation’s youth are being regulated and enforced.

The answer he proposes to parents, neighbors and communities is, “Pay attention to what your children are watching and the video games they playing. Prohibit their exposure to violent television shows and video games not appropriate for their age.”

Children are not able to differentiate reality from fantasy until age 7 and are usually not equipped to handle adult programming and games until they are 17.



Photo by SSgt. Scott Sturkol

**Lt. Col. (Ret.) Dave Grossman is interviewed by local media during his visit here.**

When they are exposed to violent media in the developmental years, it can result in violent tendencies and behavior.

He targets educators, parents, student groups, medical professionals and law enforcement agencies to help raise awareness by spreading his message and combating the culture of violence.

To read more on the subject, pick up a copy of, *Stop Teaching Our Kids to Kill: A Call to Action Against TV, Movies and Video Games Violence*, by Col. Grossman and Gloria DeGaetano, or visit [www.killology.com](http://www.killology.com) for details on media violence.

## News

# Base Boys and Girls Club receives \$5,000 grant

Compiled from staff reports

The Boys & Girls Club of Grand Forks AFB will receive \$5,000 to implement the updated version of Boys & Girls Clubs of America's (B&GCA) Power Hour. This highly effective homework assistance program is based on the premise that youngsters need to view homework as an opportunity to learn how to work independently, successfully completing a project on time, enabling them to feel positive about their accomplishment.

The grant is part of nearly \$1 million awarded by the JCPenney Afterschool Fund to 150 local Boys & Girls Clubs.

"We are grateful to the JCPenney Afterschool Fund for providing us with such a high-quality, homework assistance program like Power Hour," said, Sally Fuller, of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Grand Forks AFB. "So many of the children we serve simply do not have access to the resources necessary for successful homework completion, which is critical to their every day academic success."

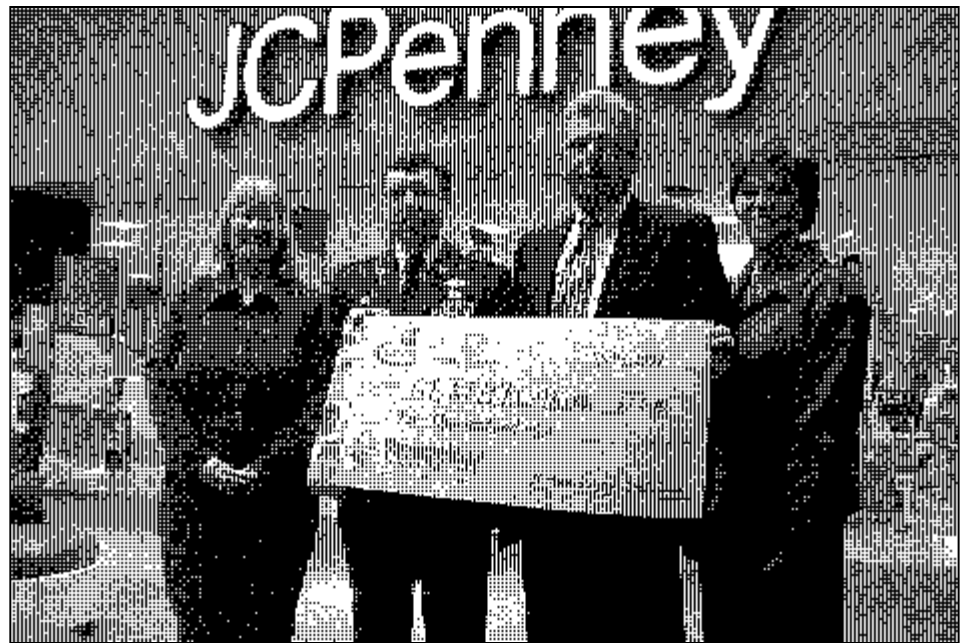
Power Hour is an interactive after-school homework assistance program for children, ages 6 – 18. Unlike assignments in class, Power Hour is conducted in a non-threatening and fun after-school environment using "Homework Helpers," adults or older students to supervise completion of a Club member's homework.

These volunteers are also provided with a guide of age-appropriate activities to stimulate Club members' interest in learning by showing them the relevancy of learning fractions in order to cook a delicious meal and geography in order to enjoy reading the morning newspaper. The long-term goal of Power Hour is to help young people develop a life-long love of learning.

"On behalf of the JCPenney Afterschool Fund, we are very proud of our continued partnership with Boys & Girls Clubs of America," said, Ron Mayer of the JCPenney store in Grand Forks. "Now through Power Hour, JCPenney Afterschool can continue its support and commitment in helping children to reach the true 'Power of their Potential.'"

In addition to the "Homework Helpers," the Power Hour curriculum includes tips for establishing essential feedback from teachers and parents. Research has shown that parental involvement is a must if children are to develop good homework habits. Power Hour also provides incentives for Club members, rewarding them with Power Points and charting their academic progress or Power Status on a colorful poster that is displayed prominently in the Club.

Among the available research on the importance of after-school homework assistance is a recent study conducted by the U.S. Justice and Education



*Photo by Tech. Sgt. Scott Davis*

**(From left) Sally Fuller, 319th Services Squadron director of youth programs, Lt. Col. Clifford Fitts, 319th SVS commander, Ron Mayer, JC Penny store manager, and Elaine Hadland, JC Penny after-school coach, display JC Penny's \$5,000 grant to the base Boys and Girls Club.**

Departments. In Working for Children: Safe and Smart After-School Programs, experts reported, "Children who are left alone when school ends, have more difficulties with their class work than those who participate in after-school programs. Not only is the latter group of students more likely to succeed academically, they are also much more self-confident." Other studies have linked after-school homework assistance programs to improved behavior at school and an

overall increased interest in learning.

In cooperation with the Grand Forks Public School District and the base schools Carl Ben Eielson and Nathan Twining schools, some of the funds will be used to purchase current text books to have on hand at the Boys and Girls Club so children will be able to have their class room closer at hand. Incentives for Power Points and an End of School Party will also be included in next years program.

## Briefs

### Licensed massage therapist

The base exchange beauty shop now has a licensed massage therapist on staff. For appointments, call Kristi Rosenthal at 594-6393.

### Outdoor cooking safety

Over the weekend, rural residents in the local area found out the hard way that there needs to be a safe distance between buildings and outdoor cooking.

While using one of the new turkey friers, the oil boiled over, splashed against the home and started the house on fire. Luckily, the local volunteer fire department was able to respond and put the fire out before it consumed the entire home.

It is important to remember that outdoor cooking, barbecuing, grilling and frying needs to be done at least 10 to 15 feet away from buildings.

No matter what the weather holds, whether in the form of wind or precipitation, never let anyone use a grill, cooker, smoker, et cetera, inside a garage or next to a building.

Also, the Underwriters Laboratory has not endorsed or given permission for its label to be attached to any deep-fat turkey fryer. The reason they give is none of the friers can pass the safety standards required.

For details, call Master Sgt. Richard Lien at 747-4174.

### Liberty Square closing

Liberty Square will be closed through May 28 due to parking lot renovations.

During this time, karate classes and playgroup will be moved to the youth center. Also, the youth center will be open Fridays 6 to 10 p.m. for preteens and teens to compensate for Liberty Square roller-skating being closed.

For details, call the youth center at 747-3150.

### MDG closed for training

The 319th Medical Group will be closed today from 7:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. for monthly training.

The Tri-Care Service center will be open and scheduling appointments during the day and can be reached at 594-3000. For emergencies, call 911.

For details, call Master Sgt. Troy Harris at 747-5601.

### DEFY volunteers

The Drug Education for Youth program is accepting applications for volunteers to assist in a two-phase program that promotes team building, goal setting and increased self-confidence for 9- to 12- year-olds.

Summer Leadership Day Camp is July 28 through Aug. 1.

For details regarding volunteer positions, call the drug demand reduction office at 747-3627.

### Free substance abuse information

Located just outside of the drug demand reduction office in the community activity center, there is a table packed full of educational materials focusing on substance abuse.

The materials include coloring books, activity books, pamphlets on alcohol, met amphetamines, tobacco, date rape drugs, perscription drugs, book marks, pencils, pens and workplace drug facts.

For details, call David Frisch at 747-3627.

### Tops in Blue

Tops in Blue is scheduled to perform a free concert at the Alerus Center, Grand Forks, on June 1. The doors will open at 6:30 p.m., and the show begins at 7:30 p.m. This event is open to the public.

For details, call the 319th Services Squadron marketing department at 747-3238.

### OPSEC tip

There may be times when your spouse cannot talk about the specifics of his or her job.

It's very important to conceal and protect certain information such as flight schedules, ship movements, temporary duty locations and installation activities, just to name a few.

Something as simple as a phone discussion concerning where your spouse is going TDY or deploying to can be very useful to our adversaries.

For details, call 1st Lt. Carrie Kilareski at 747-4505.



## Awards

# Exemplifying service to their community

## Angel Award winners awarded for volunteerism

By Staff Sgt. Scott T. Sturkol  
Public affairs

Three military spouses received the Sandy Turner Angel Award May 12 from the base officer spouses club. The three were selected for their exceptional contributions in volunteerism to the Grand Forks Air Force Base community and presented with their awards during the annual officer's and enlisted Spouses' Club scholarship banquet.

**Julie Martin, Debbie Kinlin** and **Rita Owens** stood out amongst the other nominees. Their accomplishments show how they worked behind the scenes providing the utmost of support to their community — qualities defined by the Sandy Turner award.

Martin, who was nominated by Jan Saville and Jim Bridges, has been a volunteer

in many capacities — to include being the OSC thrift shop liaison, thrift shop cashier, "Ladies Night Out" coordinator, children's church coordinator, Brownie troop volunteer and classroom volunteer at base schools. In all these efforts, she compiled more than 600 hours of community service.

"She has done all of these things even though her husband has been deployed since October 2002," Saville wrote about Martin. "She is an outstanding candidate as a recipient of the Sandy Turner Angel Award."

Kinlin's volunteer efforts total an estimated 750 hours. She has worked with the OSC, Twining Parent-Teacher Organization, Mothers of Preschoolers, her squadron spouses group and at St. Anne's Guest Home in Grand Forks.

In her nomination form written by Cappy Younker, it says that Kinlin "is the most selfless person I've ever met. For the number of activities she involves herself in that are visible, I know there are twice as many that no one ever knows about."

Owens was nominated by fel-



Debbie Kinlin

low winner Martin and Younker. Providing a "profound and positive impact on the base community" is how Younker and Martin described Owens. Having given more than 500 hours of volunteer time, Owens has been a volunteer for both Twining and Eielson schools, served as the OSC publicity chairperson, worked many hours in the

thrift shop and also takes time to be a part of Mothers of Preschoolers, the 906th Air Refueling Wing spouses group, the Greater Grand Forks Soccer Club, and her church.

Owens, according to Martin and Younker, "seems to go from one activity to another with an engaging, can-do attitude that encourages others to do the same."

Military family members Tiffany Ingersoll, Raena Stull, Jennifer Daack and Joe Chine were also nominated for Angel Awards.



Rita Owens



Julie Martin



Photo by Staff Sgt. Scott T. Sturkol

## Scholarship winners

Nine people received scholarship awards during the officer spouses club/enlisted spouses club banquet Monday in the Northern Lights Club. They are (from left): Michelle Davis (\$900 from OSC, \$100 from ESC); Rhonda Tuck (\$900 from OSC, \$100 from ESC); Stephanie Keith (\$1,550 from OSC, \$1,000 from First Command, and \$50 from ESC); Kilee Dobogai (\$1,500 from Defense Commissary Agency and Fisher House Foundation); Samantha Snyder (\$1,100 from OSC, \$50 from ESC); David Josephson (\$1,500 from the African-American Cultural Association); Alanna Keith (\$1,300 from OSC, \$50 from ESC); Tamara Harter (\$1,500 from OSC, \$100 from ESC); and Jason Kaiser (\$1,500 from DECA and Fisher House). Not pictured is Jason Yelvington who received a \$1,550 scholarship from the OSC and a \$50 scholarship from the ESC.



## News

# Tops in Blue set to play June 1 at Alerus Center

**By Staff Sgt. Scott Sturkol**  
Public affairs

Tops in Blue, the Air Force's premier entertainment showcase, is scheduled to play a free concert at the Alerus Center, Grand Forks, June 1.

The show begins at 7:30 p.m. and house seating will be open starting at 6:30 p.m. Concessions for the event will be open even earlier.

Tops In Blue is the Air Force's premier entertainment showcase for the entire family. It brings the best in music, dance and comedy – all performed by men and women in blue who perform 90 minutes of non-stop, live entertainment.

Each year, active-duty men and women with military duties as diverse as aircraft mechanics, electronic technicians, security specialists and other functional areas begin at base level by competing in talent shows. The most talented are then selected to compete at the Air Force Worldwide Talent Contest. From these contestants, a 30-member group is chosen to represent the best of the best.

The goal of Tops in Blue is to enhance mission produc-

tivity for Air Force members and their families, especially those in remote and isolated locations.

During each annual tour, Tops In Blue entertains more than 250,000 military personnel and their families, presenting an average of 120 performances at 100 locations worldwide. The showcase is presented throughout the continental United States, Canada, Europe, Central America, Alaska and the Pacific.

In this year's tour group of 30, there are three members from North Dakota military bases – two from Minot Air Force Base and one from Cavalier Air Force Station. They include Airmen 1st Class Erika Marino, female vocalist, and Jerome Wayne, male vocalist, from Minot AFB, and Senior Airman Godfrey Smith, drummer, from Cavalier Air Force Station.

Tops In Blue began in 1953 as a vision created by Col. Alvin E. Reilly to recognize the high caliber of entertainment available in the Air Force community. This year marks the group's 50th anniversary.



# Base chapel

## CATHOLIC:

**Mass:** 5 p.m. Saturday, 9 a.m. Sunday, Sunflower Chapel.  
**Daily Mass:** Tuesday through Friday 11:30 a.m. Sunflower Chapel.  
**Reconciliation:** 4 p.m. Saturday, 8:30 a.m. Sunday or by appointment, Sunflower Chapel.  
**CCD:** 10:45 a.m. Sunday, Twining Elementary School, RCIA plus Confirmation.  
**Reconciliation:** 4 p.m. Saturday, 8:30 a.m. Sunday, or by appointment, Sunflower Chapel.

## PROTESTANT:

**Traditional worship:** 10:30 a.m. Sunday, Sunflower Chapel.  
**Liturgical worship:** 10:30 a.m. Sunday, Prairie Rose Chapel.  
**Contemporary worship:** 6 p.m. Sunday, Prairie Rose Chapel.  
**Young Adults:** 6 p.m. Friday, Chaplain Swain’s home, 747-4359.  
**Youth:** 4 p.m. Sunday, held at youth center.  
**Religious Education:** 9 a.m. Sunday, Eielson Elementary School.  
**Men of the Chapel:** noon Monday, Prairie Rose conference room.

## JEWISH:

For details call Sheila Farquharson at 594-3960 or Synagogue B’nai Israel at 775-5124.

## RUSSIAN/EASTERN ORTHODOX:

For details call Dr. Levitov 780-6540.

## MUSLIM, BUDDHIST, OTHER:

For details call 747-5673.

# Base theater

**Today, 7 p.m.**

*What a Girl Wants (PG)*

Amanda Bynes plays a 19-year-old New York City teen who travels to London to find the father she's never known (Colin Firth), discovering that he's an upper-class socialite. Of course, her crass American-ness causes copious comic fish-out-of-water situations.

**Saturday, 7 p.m.**

*A Man Apart (R)*

Vin Diesel plays DEA agent Sean Vetter, who sets out for revenge after a botched hit results in the death of his wife. While on the hunt, he finds that near the U.S. border with Mexico, a new drug cartel has taken hold. Aiming to take on its leader, who he suspects is the man behind his wife's death, Vetter partners with another agent (Larenz Tate).

**Sunday, 7 p.m.**

*Chicago (PG-13)*

This long-awaited movie adaptation of Bob Fosse's 1975 Broadway musical is about two dreamers, Velma Kelley (Catherine Zeta-Jones) and Roxie Hart (Renée Zellweger). Velma is the Windy City's top nightclub star until the night she guns down her cheating husband, after which she becomes an even bigger celebrity, thanks to smooth attorney Billy Flynn (Richard Gere). Roxie also desperately wants fame, so the solution is simple: shoot her abusive lover dead. After Roxie replaces her, an outraged Velma plots Roxie's demise as she obsessively pursues her goal of being back on top.

**May 23, 7 p.m.**

*Head of State (PG-13)*

Chris Rock makes his directorial debut (he also co-wrote the screenplay) and stars as Mays Gilliam, a local Washington, D.C., alderman who's picked by the Democratic party to run for president when their candidate dies unexpectedly during the campaign. As Mays warms to the idea, he chooses his clueless brother (Bernie Mac) to be his running mate, while his ex-girlfriend (Robin Givens) wants him back, with eyes on becoming the first lady.

**May 24, 3 p.m.**

*The Italian Job (PG-13)*

In this remake, Mark Wahlberg will play Charlie Croker, a career criminal who heads a crew that masterminds a massive gold bullion heist. It is made possible when they create the largest traffic jam in Los Angeles history. While the traffic disables the populace (and the cops), the criminals are empowered by their use of Mini Coopers, which are incredibly fast cars but also small enough to travel on sidewalks and the subway system while the city and the cops are immobilized.

**\*The base theater is offering free admission to this film, which is being pre-screened on base. The release date for Grand Forks theaters is May 30. Admission will be first-come, first-served.**

**May 24, 7 p.m.**

*Basic (R)*

**May 25, 3 p.m.**

*The Italian Job (PG-13)*

**\*The base theater is offering free admission to this film on a first-come, first-served basis.**

**Tickets:** \$1.50 children, \$3 adults  
For details, call 747-3021/6123.

# AF eases Stop Loss restrictions

WASHINGTON (AFP) – Air Force personnel officials announced May 14 the release of more than half of the Air Force Specialty Codes restricted from retirement or separation May 2 under the Stop Loss program.

Following a review of operational requirements, 31 officer and 20 enlisted career fields were identified for release from Stop Loss, the officials said.

The officer career fields released from Stop Loss restrictions are: 11BX, 11EX, 11FX, 11HX, 11KX, 12BX, 12EX, 12FX, 12KX, 12RX, 12TX, 13BX, 13DXA, 13DXB, 32EX, 43EX, 43HX, 43TX, 44EX, 44MX, 45AX, 45BX, 45SX, 46FX, 46MX, 46NXX, 46SX, 48AX, 48GX, 48RX and 51JX.

The enlisted career fields released from Stop Loss restrictions are: 1C2XX, 1C4XX, 1S0XX, 1T1XX, 3E000, 3E0X2, 3E4X1, 3E4X2, 3E5X1, 3E7X1, 3E8X1, 3E9X1, 3H0X1, 3N0XX, 4A1XX, 4A2XX, 4B0XX, 4E0XX, 4H0XX and 5J0X1.

The Air Force announced Stop Loss, a Defense Department program designed to retain members of the armed forces beyond their established dates of separation or retirement, for 99 AFSCs and deployed airmen on March 13. The move was aimed at ensuring personnel levels were adequate to meet upcoming contingencies.

“It was not an action that we took

lightly,” said Secretary of the Air Force Dr. James G. Roche. “It was designed to preserve Air Force skills essential to supporting the global war on terrorism and operations in Iraq.”

Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. John P. Jumper pointed out that service officials have always said that they will use Stop Loss only as long as necessary to accomplish the mission.

“We’ve reevaluated our requirements and are releasing these AFSCs because Stop-Loss is inconsistent with the fundamental principles of voluntary service,” Gen. Jumper said.

Deployed active duty, Guard and Reserve airmen whose AFSCs are released from Stop Loss will not be allowed to retire or separate until their deployment is completed, Maj. Forest said.

Air Reserve Component airmen who are mobilized, but not deployed, will be demobilized according to ARC policy.

More career fields will likely be released in the future, she said, based on input from different levels around the Air Force. However, if airmen experience a severe hardship caused by Stop Loss, they can apply for a waiver through their chain of command.

Additional information regarding the release of certain AFSCs is available at installation military personnel flights.

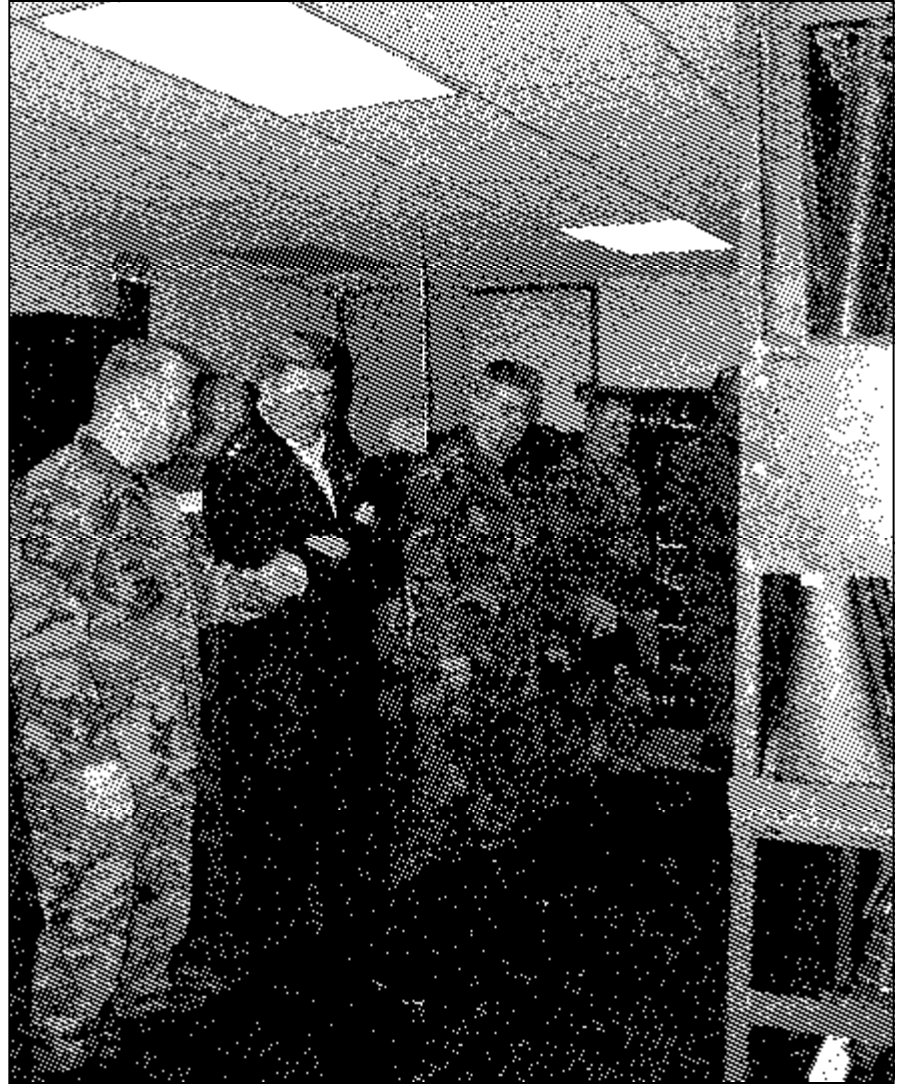


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## General-ities

Staff Sgt. Michael Glenn accompanies Maj. Gen. Michael Haugen, North Dakota Army National Guard commander, on his tour through the base armory, May 9. Maj. Gen. Haugen was introduced to the latest M-16 rifle during his tour and he also visited his guard troops at various stations throughout the base.

## Commentary

# Police Week appreciates, remembers, recognizes

**By Capt. Terence A. Carr**  
319th Security Force Squadron  
commander

First, Police Week presents an opportunity to express our appreciation for the noble service our police officers provide. Second, it allows time for us to remember those officers who have fallen in the line of duty. Third, we are able to recognize their bravery in facing an extremely dangerous task.

Police Week is a great way for the community and the law enforcement agencies to express their appreciation for each other.

Most of the time, the community as well as the police officers who keep it safe, go on about their daily lives without ever crossing paths.

It is very easy to take for granted the magnitude of responsibility and sacrifice that our law enforcement agents undertake on a daily basis.

Often times, the officers themselves also take for granted what they do. After weeks, months and years of protecting the public, it becomes just another job.

On the contrary, protecting public safety is unlike

any other job in the world. At any given moment, they may have to put themselves in harm's way.

Police Week is also a time to memorialize our fallen officers who made the ultimate sacrifice. This week ensures that no one ever forgets that peace is not free.

A peace officer's life does not produce great monetary gain. The lawbreakers usually do not express gratitude for officers who have performed admirably. They have to endure undesirable shift schedules and long hours.

Last, they must face danger even in our smallest communities. The most routine traffic stops present extremely volatile situations. All of these factors present the price that our officers assume when sworn into their respective departments and agencies.

Finally, Police Week allows the community time to celebrate the bravery of our police officers.

Bravery is not the absence of fear. It is suppression of fear in order to do one's duty without hesitation.

This is what separates law enforcement from ordinary jobs.

The choice to assume all of the difficult situations, challenges and dangers illustrate that enforcing the law as a peace officer is truly a calling.



*Photo by Staff Sgt. Scott Sturkol*

**A 319th Security Forces airman stands guard.**

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## Feature

# David Chu: DoD's highest-ranking Asian American civilian

By Rudi Williams

American Forces Press Service

**WASHINGTON** — There were only a few Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders serving in the armed forces when Chinese American David S.C. Chu, 58, joined the Army Reserve in the 1960s.

That's changed over the years, and Chu these days, as the undersecretary of defense for personnel and readiness, is in the best position to know. Sworn in as undersecretary on June 1, 2001, Chu is the defense secretary's senior policy adviser on recruitment, career development, and pay and benefits for 1.4 million active duty military personnel, 1.3 million National Guard and Reserve personnel and 680,000 DoD civilian employees.

Even with the large cutback in military personnel in recent years, he said, there were 6,636 officers, 330 warrant officers and 46,220 enlisted personnel of Asian Pacific ancestry serving in the armed forces as of March 2002.

"I'm delighted by the fact that it is no longer unusual to have Asians and

Islanders in the ranks of the military," said Chu, DoD's highest-ranking civilian Asian American.

"One of the great things about the American military is the degree to which people are accepted for themselves and not seen as different," he said. "They're seen as Americans and expected to contribute on a merit basis to do what we do. That's the standard everyone should hope is set for him or her."

Consequently, Chu said, ethnic observances like Asian Pacific American Heritage Month in May are "useful celebrations of the nation's diversity." The observance highlights the contributions and achievements of Asian Pacific Americans and "helps remind people of where we all came from, which is a lot of different places," he noted.

Focusing on a particular group is useful for young people in school, he said. "Otherwise, the schools might not take up these different histories or take a look at these different cultures," the undersecretary added.

This is Chu's second tenure at the

Pentagon. From May 1981 to January 1993, he served as director and then assistant secretary of defense for program analysis and evaluation. In this position, he advised the secretary of defense on the future size and structure of the armed forces, their equipment and their preparation for crisis or conflict.

From 1978 to 1981, Chu served as the assistant director for National Security and International Affairs, Congressional Budget Office, where he advised Congress on the full range of national security and international economic issues.

A political appointee, Chu said, "As a youngster, I was always interested in politics. I had a very inspiring economics instructor in college, and I decided that's the subject I wanted to pursue."

He went on to earn a bachelor of arts degree, magna cum laude, in economics and mathematics from Yale University in 1964 and master's degrees in 1965 and 1967. Commissioned a second lieutenant in the Army through the Yale ROTC program in 1968, Chu served in Vietnam from 1969 to 1970 with the Office of the

Comptroller, 1st Logistical Command headquarters. He was promoted to captain before ending his short military career, returning to Yale and earning his doctorate in economics in 1972.

Born in New York City on May 20, 1944, Chu said his father emigrated to the United States from China to attend the University of Illinois. His mother's side of the family settled along the East Coast before the Revolutionary War. His father worked for the China News Service during World War II and after the war went to work for the United Nations.

Chu's siblings, a brother and sister, were also born in New York City. His brother is chairman of the music department at Hamline University in St. Paul, Minn. His sister is a human resources executive at Kent (Ohio) State University.

The father of two, Chu said his children are his hobby. "When they're teenagers, especially if they don't drive yet, you are the chauffeur," said Chu, an avid gardener. "You're also expected to show up at each game, event, etc., but not be too much in the forefront."



# Police for a week

By Senior Airman Jathzed Fabara  
Public Affairs

This year, Warriors of the North competed in various activities during National Police Week, May 12 through May 15. The culmination of this week's activities ended May 15 with a Peace Officer's Memorial Day retreat ceremony at the base flagpole.

**Tie-Breaker**

The annual law enforcement shoot out began Tuesday morning, at the base firing range, with 13 Security forces police facing off against four Grand Forks County Sheriff's Department Deputies, May 13. It began like any other shoot out, but little did anyone know that a one-shot, tie-breaking shoot out would decide the fate of the winner. Of the 400 points allowed, Staff Sgt. Anthony Cook, 319th Security Forces Squadron, and Deputy Jon Simundson, Grand Forks County Sheriff's Department, ended up tying with 311 points at the final tally roundup. From there on, the final two competitors were given one bullet apiece and 45 seconds to determine who the winner would be. With anticipating eyes watching to see who would fire first, the first shot was taken by Simundson, so with time to spare, Cook lined up his sight and fired, making a shot that would put him in the lead to win the competition by two points.

**Bullseye**

Tuesday evening also determined who would take first place at the Commander's Shoot. With a total of 14 commanders and officers participating in the event, the competition required that each of the

shooters take three shooting stances. The final tallies were rounded up and Capt. Mathew Duston, 319th Civil Engineering Squadron had a significant score that placed him first for this year's competition.

**Are we done yet?**

This was the Warrior Competition's most asked question according to participants on May 14. Of the eight groups participating in the competition, all completed an 8.5 mile run that included obstacles, a ruck sack run, a 'flac jacket' run, a 'humvee' push, and a memory quiz along the way, not to mention that BDU's or DCU's had to be worn in order to be able compete in the competition and complete it. When all the times were finally annotated and recorded, the trophy was awarded to the older, but wiser Grand Forks Police Department team, who will have to defend their title in next year's run. Team Young Guns consisted of two ND Army National Guard members and two 319th Security Forces airman that came in a close second to the Police Dept. The awards were given out at the base armory by Col. Steve Wayne, 319th Air Refueling Wing vice commander..



*Photos by Senior Airman Jathzed Fabara*

**Col. Steve Wayne, 319th Air Refueling Wing vice commander, takes aim during the commander's shoot Tuesday afternoon at the base firing range. Capt. Matthew Duston, 319th Security Forces Squadron, won the event.**

(Top) Tech. Sgt. Derek Lerma, 319th Air Refueling Wing Manpower, and Master Sgt. Gary Cleland, 319th ARW Military Equal Opportunity, scale an obstacle during the annual National Police Week Warrior Competition on base Wednesday. (Right) Members of Team DS push a humvee during one phase of the Warrior Competition Wednesday.



*Photos by Senior Airman Jathzed Fabara*



Members of the Grand Forks County Sheriff's Department take aim during the civilian and military Law Enforcement Shoot at the base firing range Tuesday morning. Staff Sgt. Anthony Cook, 319th Security Forces Squadron, won the event.



Army Specs. Ryan Zirch and James D. Perhus, North Dakota Army National Guard, sprawl across the lawn following the Warrior Competition Wednesday. Many of the participants showed the exhaustion of completing a rigorous competition.



## Sports

# MOS wins 'Ironman' volleyball championship, 2-1

By Senior Airman Jathzed Fabara  
Public Affairs

The base fitness center was witness to one of the longest intramural volleyball championships in recent memory Wednesday.



*Photos by Senior Airman Jathzed Fabara*

**The 2003 base intramural volleyball champion, 319th MOS.**

The final two championship matches pitted the 319th Civil Engineering Squadron and the 319th Maintenance Operations Squadron, enduring a whopping two-and-a-half hours of competitive volleyball that some would say compared to an 'Ironman' marathon.

The first match was a decisive playoff match against CES to see whether MOS could make it out of the loser's bracket and play for the championship in a one-game playoff. Since MOS had previously lost to the 319th Logistics Readiness Squadron in the second round of the playoffs, they were placed in the loser's bracket and had to fight their way back to obtain a championship spot.

"It drove us more to see LRS, a good team like that, win against us, so we had to come back to prove something," said James "Chappy" Henry, MOS setter. "It gave us motivation to play better."

After playing for an hour, MOS came out with a win in order to play the title game, which would last more than an hour. As the championship match continued, cheers from MOS and CES fans could be heard throughout the entire north section of the facility.

The two teams struggled to attain the lead, but a strong CES team pulled out with a 15-12 win in the first game. With spirits running low on the MOS sideline, the second game would be a completely different story as MOS dug deep to pull together as a team and win 15 to 9.

The second game win was motivation enough to keep MOS focused on winning, and finally, after six games and two-and-a-half hours, MOS won the final game and the 2003 intramural volleyball champi-



**Master Sgt. Roy Hamilton, 319th MOS, tips a shot past the 319th CES defense.**

onship with a 15-9 win over their formidable opponent.

# Community

## Today

**STEAK NIGHT:** The Northern Lights Club is offering New York Strip Steak for \$6.50 from 5:30 to 8 p.m.

## Saturday

**MILITARY APPRECIATION DAY:** Turtle River State Park, near Arvilla on Highway 2, is offering Military Appreciation Day all day. Entrance to the park is free all day with a military identification card.

There will be a 5K fun run or walk through the park for all ages beginning at 3 p.m. Registration is from 2 to 3 p.m. at the park chalet.

There will also be a “Pathways to Fishing” class hosted by the park staff for youth ages 6 to 16 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the memorial shelter.

## Monday

**PIANO RECITAL:** Admission is free to the annual youth center piano recital at 6 p.m. at the youth center.

**TEEN PIZZA PARTY:** Register by Monday for the youth center’s teen pizza party May 23 from 8 to 10 p.m.

The youth center needs 10 participants to hold this event. Cost is \$5 and includes pizza and soda.

## Tuesday

**BOATER SAFETY CLASS:** Outdoor recreation is holding a free boater safety class from 6 to 9:30 p.m. This class is required before renting motorized watercraft from outdoor recreation. Also, North Dakota law requires persons 12- to 15-years-old to pass an approved boating course if they operate motorboats propelled by motors over 10 horsepower.

Additionally, many insurance companies offer a premium discount to adults who complete this course.

For details, call outdoor recreation at 747-3688.

## Wednesday

**CHESS, CHECKERS TOURNAMENTS:** The youth center is holding a chess and checkers tournament tonight for ages 9 to 12 at 5:30 p.m. and ages 13 to 18 at 6:30 p.m.

## Thursday

**POWER HOUR:** Youth programs is holding its annual “Power Hour” party at

Roma’s Pizza for those who participated in this year’s Power Hour program.

For details, call youth programs at 747-3150. A parental permission slip is required to participate.

## Upcoming

**GRADUATES SUNDAY BRUNCH:** The Northern Lights Club is holding its last Sunday brunch of the season May 25 from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Graduates eat free with a paid adult.

### 2003 EOSY PICNIC, CARNIVAL:

School is out, and to end the year, the youth center will have its annual picnic and carnival May 30.

This year’s theme is “Hawaiian Fun in the Sun.”

The day’s events will begin with a free lunch from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. The “America’s Kids Run” will be 1 to 2 p.m. for ages 5 to 13. The afternoon will end with a staff “pie-in-the-face” event at 3:45 p.m.

**ALL-NIGHT SOFTBALL:** Register teams by May 23 at the base gym with letters of intent for this year’s all-night softball tournament on May 30.

A minimum of two females must be on the field for each team, and each player will start with a one-and-one count.

Also, participants are registered to win a summer trip to the Badland Trail Rides and Eastview Campground. The prize includes a one-night stay and two-hour trail ride for up to four people.

**MALL OF AMERICA TRIP:** Register by May 29 for outdoor recreation’s trip to the Mall of America on May 31.

Cost is \$25 for adults and \$15 for children 12-years-old and younger who are accompanied by an adult. Transportation departs at 5 a.m. from outdoor recreation and returns around midnight.

For details, call outdoor recreation at 747-3688.

**KID’S FISHING DERBY:** Pre-register at outdoor recreation for the annual Kid’s Fishing Derby from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. June 7 at the Larimore Dam. Cost is \$1 per child.

Same day registration begins at 9 a.m. The awards ceremony will commence shortly after fishing ends. Grilled hamburgers and hot dogs will be provided for all participants. Age groups are 3 to 5, 6 to 8, 9 to 13, and 14 to 15.

Prizes will be awarded for first, second

and third places for heaviest stringer in each age group, and 1st place for the largest northern pike, bass and pan fish. Each participant is allowed to weigh one fish per hour.

Volunteers are still needed for this event. Interested volunteers should meet at outdoor recreation on June 4 at 5 p.m.

### PHOTOGRAPHY SCHOLARSHIPS:

To encourage talented Boys and Girls Clubs of America members to hone their skills and pursue photography as a career, the Boys and Girls Clubs of America and Circuit City Foundation are offering a new opportunity for Club members ages 16 to 18 to earn ImageMakers Photography Scholarships.

To apply, members must compile five photographs in any medium or mixture of media showcasing their talent.

Photographs should be displayed in a portfolio along with a typed, one-page personal statement on any subject written by the photographer.

Applications can be picked up at the youth center. Portfolio, personal statement and application must be submitted to the youth center by June 9.

All Club members who submit portfolios will receive certificates of merit, and the top four portfolio photographers will each receive \$3,000 to be used for college or art school.

**GIVE PARENTS A BREAK:** Register by June 10 for the next “give parents a break” date, scheduled for June 14.

“Give parents a break” provides eligible parents a few hours break from the stress of parenting. The Air Force Aid Society provides funding, making it possible for the child development center to open and provide care for this program.

In order to take advantage of this program, families must be referred by either their squadron commander or first sergeant, chaplain, doctor or medical professional, family advocacy personnel, family support center personnel or child development center personnel.

For details, call the CDC at 747-3042.

**SDC NOTABLES:** The skills development center’s summer hours are now in effect. New hours are Mondays through Fridays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., closed Sundays, holiday weekends and goal days.

There will be no classes offered for the month of June.

Spouse’s groups may have free use of the SDC classroom during regular operat-

ing hours. Call the SDC at 747-3482 for reservations.

**CHILD CARE OPENINGS:** The child development center has several childcare openings for 3- to 5-year-old children Mondays through Fridays from 6:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

For details, call Jackie or Tom at the CDC at 747-3042.

### OUTDOOR RECREATION NOTABLES:

Outdoor recreation now has summer season fishing licenses available, including certificates, individual fishing stamps, sportsmen’s, and husband and wife fishing stamps.

► **June 4** – Deer gun and muzzleloader application deadline

► **June 7, 8** – North Dakota “free fishing” weekend

► **Evening Fishing Trips** – Outdoor recreation will begin leading evening fishing trips to Devil’s Lake in April for ice-out walleyes and northern pike.

Look for notices about these upcoming trips.

► **Spring Bird-watching trips** – The spring migration and breeding season begins this month, and there are a number of places locally that draw a variety of interesting birds.

Outdoor recreation has binoculars and bird books available.

Outdoor recreation will also be offering evening and early morning birding trips as migrants arrive.

**EXTENDED DUTY CHILD CARE:** The family child care office offers an extended duty child care program to help parents obtain childcare when they need it for duty-related reasons beyond typical 50-hour per week childcare arrangements.

Eligible users include active-duty military personnel assigned to or living on base, Department of Defense civilians assigned to the base, Air National Guard and Air Reserve on active duty or during inactive duty personnel training, and DoD contractors assigned to the base.

Parents must be enrolled in this program and meet the provider prior to use. For that reason, the family child care staff encourages parents who think they may need extended duty child care services in the future to enroll ahead of time to be prepared when duty calls. The FCC coordinator serves as the point of contact with parents and providers.

For more information on how this program can assist you, please call the Family Child Care Office at 747-4167.